

# Journal of the House

## SECOND DAY

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HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
TOPEKA, KS, Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker pro tem Carpenter in the chair.

The roll was called with 118 members present.

Reps. S. Ruiz and Waymaster were excused on verified illness.

Rep. Barth was excused on legislative business.

Reps. Bryce, Collins, Lewis and Poetter Parshall were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Holmes:

Dear Father,

It is with a sense of anticipation and expectation  
as we look at our work today. We are each keenly aware that

You have placed us here for this moment and this day.

It is You whom we look to for wisdom, discernment, and Divine counsel.

Help us to hear Your voice and direction in each piece of legislative work set before us.

In the Book of Proverbs, you tell us

“Like apples of gold in settings of silver, is a work spoken in right circumstances.”

Allow the words we speak to resonate with wisdom derived from right circumstances.

Guard our minds and thoughts that when we do speak,  
we offer wise and informed words of insight as well as thoughtful consideration.

Today, we lift to You our friends and neighbors  
who find themselves in troublesome situations not of their own making.

We especially pray for the people of California  
who are facing the loss of businesses, homes, and in some cases friends.

The California wild fires have destroyed so much hope and caused so much despair.

Oh God, we pray for Your Divine intervention.

We also pray for many of our people here in the State of Kansas  
who are still struggling to dig out of the recent record snowstorm.

Thank You for Your provisions of safety and protection.

We pray for our National and World leaders.

In these days of challenge and change might Your hand guide them as they strive to

make our Nation and World safe and prosperous.  
I now pray the Peace of Christ on this legislative body  
and ask You to bless them, as well as their families.  
In Jesus Name I Pray  
Amen

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Xu.

**REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Appropriations: **HB 2007**.

Financial Institutions and Pensions: **HB 2006, HB 2008**.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGE**

Speaker pro tem Carpenter announced the appointment of Rep. B. Carpenter to replace Rep. A. Smith on Committee on Rules and Journal for January 16, 2025.

On motion of Rep. Croft the House adjourned pro forma until 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2025.

JENNY HAUGH, JULIA WERNER, *Journal Clerks*.

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk*.

